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Subject : DDI Response to CIPC CBW Study


1. The Deputy Director for Intelligence agrees with most of the recommendations in the CIPC study, except that he prefers the Alternative Recommendation on page 6 to the recommendation for a new DCI Committee. In addition, he would like to note one general concern (paragraph 2) and two specific concerns (paragraphs 3 and 4).

2. In his view, the CIPC Working Group has, in the short time of its existence, done a commendable job of describing what each Community element is doing in CBW. It also has described the perceived needs of policy makers and other consumers. But, he feels that, perhaps because of the short time allocated, there was no analytic thread drawn between these descriptions and the recommendations. Thus, the recommendations have the appearance of being largely a bureaucratic response that creates yet another DCI Committee and recommends a series of time-consuming staff studies.

3. In his opinion, part of the recommendation for the new DCI CBW Committee (recommendation 1, pages 4-5) can be misinterpreted. The words (1st line on page 5) "...and, as appropriate, should provide administrative and other support for...." can be misread to imply that the new committee should assume primary Community responsibility for such things as Congressional liaison and for arms control. This was not the intent of the Working Group. To prevent possible misunderstanding at a later date, we request that you insist on the following rewording:

"...and provide administrative, substantive, and coordination assistance to the lead Community components responsible for such things as 'brokering' Congressional inquiries, coordinating foreign liaison activities, and providing arms control support."

4. The DDI disagrees with that the portion of the recommendation on page 27 that asks for a staff study to evaluate the potential value of a completely centralized CBW data base. He does not believe that the creation of a such a data base for CBW is a useful, or a workable, idea. In his view, a completely centralized data base could not satisfy all the needs of any agency CBW component. All Community components therefore would need to maintain their own data bases to serve their own particular needs anyway.


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